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THE SITUATION IN THE NEAR EAST.

Terrible Fire at Smyrna.

BRITISH CONTINGENT AT CONSTANTINOPLE REINFORCED.

Malta, September 14. The transport Somali, bound for India, was suddenly ordered here, where it hurriedly disembarked the troops aboard, and to-night is sailing for Constantinople with the Sussex Regiment, which will increase the British forces at Constantinople to six infantry battalions, a brigade of field artillery, and the Third Hussars. Other troops at Malta, including the 1st Gordons, are being held in readiness.

Rome, September 14. A message from Smyrna states that a terrible fire has broken out. The Greek and Armenian quarters have been destroyed, and the fire is spreading to other areas. The inhabitants are panic-stricken. Italian ships in the port are endeavouring to embark the members of the Italian colony. The Italian Government is immediately despatching vessels with provisions and medical stores, and has also ordered the concentration of Italian warships at Smyrna in order to shelter Italian residents.

Turkish Reprisals.

London, September 14. Reuter learns that the Turks have commenced reprisals against the Armenians in Smyrna, the extent is unknown.

Soviet Supports Kemalists.

A long Note addressed to the Allies has been received in London from Moscow dealing with the Turkish situation in which M. Chicherin declares that Russia will not be bound by any decision reached, makes certain reservations concerning the Near East settlement, expresses satisfaction at the Turkish victories, says that all the Russian people are on the side of Turkey, and offers to bring about an agreement.

French Cabinet's Decision.

Paris, September 14. It is announced that a Cabinet Council, presided over by M. Millerand, came to a unanimous agreement regarding the policy to be pursued with a view to the establishment of permanent peace in the Near East, but the exact measures decided upon have not been revealed.

Mr. Lloyd George May Be Prevented from Going to Geneva.

London, September 14. It is now stated that though Mr. Lloyd George is anxious to go to Geneva, the serious situation in the Near East may compel him to remain in London.

Afghanistan Ruler's Jubilation.

Constantinople, September 14. A message from Kabul states that the fall of Smyrna has caused great excitement. The Amir declared an official holiday, and telegraphed at length to Mustafa Kemal, whom he describes as "the standard of Islam."

Greece Defiant.

London, September 14. It is stated in Greek official quarters that Greece will insist upon the upholding to the fullest extent of her treaty rights in Thrace. It is added that the Greek Army is quite equal to its task and is strong enough to deal with any menace from Bulgaria or Turkey. It is declared that the whole of Greece is unanimously supporting the Government on the question of East Thrace.

U. S. RAILWAY STRIKE SETTLEMENT.

Men to Return at Same Wages.

Chicago, September 14. The railway strike settlement provides that the men shall return to work at the same wages and in the same positions as they held when they ceased work. The question of the relative standing of the old and new men will be referred to a Board comprised of equal numbers of railway officials and members of the Union. The agreement provides that the railroads shall within a month find positions for strikers who have not committed acts of violence.

The list of railroads actually involved is not published, and it is believed that none has yet signed the pact.

It is stated that the strike will be continued by those railroads not signing, though it is hoped all companies will eventually come to an agreement.

The men stand to lose approximately fifty million dollars yearly through the cut which became effective on the day of the strike and which was advanced as one reason for striking.

Preparations for ordering the men to return have begun. It is stated that upwards of fifty railroads are accepting the agreement, and others may adhere to it if they desire.

MORE BLOODSHED IN DUBLIN.

Battles in the Streets.

London, September 14. From midnight till early morning volleys of rifle and machine-gun fire as well as bursting grenades disturbed a wide area in Dublin. The National posts at the telephone exchange, Four Courts and hotels were the centres of incessant attacks lasting for half an hour. Armoured cars patrolling the central streets were targets for the snipers, and bombs were thrown.

Fire was opened on troops in the vicinity of Harcourt Street at six o'clock in the morning by men concealed in the shrubbery at St. Stephen's Green. The fire was returned and three civilians were wounded. A number of the assailants were captured.

A National Success.

London, September 14. Kenmare has been recaptured by reinforced National troops. Many irregulars were taken prisoner.

STOPPING BOOT-LEGGING.

Schooner Seized off U.S. Coast.

New York, September 14. A two-masted schooner, alleged to be British-registered, was seized off Scotland Light and brought to port by a prohibition navy boat. A hundred cases of liquor, with \$56,000 (gold) was seized. The master declared that his ship was 23 miles off shore when stopped. He added that he was engaged in boot-legging along the American

PEAK TRAMWAY.

Suggested Improvements.

JUNCTION AT MAY ROAD?

There are all sorts of rumours in the air concerning the Peak Tramway these days. Some time back it was stated that the Company intended electrifying the system and providing bigger cars in order to cope with the increasing traffic. Rumours are in circulation that this scheme has been abandoned in favour of a project by which a new powerhouse would be erected at May Road, passengers for the Peak getting off at this station and changing. The idea of this would be to provide a more frequent service between the lower station and the May Road level.

A further report is that the Company contemplates a junction line from May Road to Magazine Gap, thus serving the needs of the large number of residents in that district, for whom transport is one of the greatest problems.

In connection with these rumours, a *Telegraph* reporter called this morning on Mr. D.E. Clark, of Messrs. J.D. Humphreys and Son, managers for the Peak Tramway Company. The interview, however, was hardly satisfactory.

While not giving the rumours the direct denial, Mr. Clark would not give them confirmation. They were only suggestions, he said, and before he could give any definite information the line would have to be surveyed and expert opinion would have to be obtained, and the matter gone into. With regard to the rumoured branch line to Magazine Gap, Mr. Clark led the reporter to believe that there was nothing in the story, although he admitted that "some-one said it would be a very good thing."

The impression was obtained that there is something in the rumour regarding the powerhouse at May Road, but it appears that the scheme is very much in the air and it will probably be some time before anything comes of the project. However, Mr. Clark kindly promised to acquaint us with further developments when definite information is available.

STRAITS GOVERNOR'S VISIT.

Dinner and Dance at Government House.

His Excellency Sir Laurence Guillemard, Governor of the Straits Settlements, arrived in Hongkong yesterday afternoon by the Empress of Canada, being on route for Singapore, after a period of leave at home. During his stay here, His Excellency is a guest at Government House.

Last night, H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (Mr. Claud Savern) invited a number of residents to meet Sir Laurence at a dinner and dance at Government House. His Excellency's first of all entertained the General Officer Commanding, the Bishop of Victoria, the Members of Council and some others to dinner, those invited being: H.E. Major-General Sir John and Lady Fowler, the Right Honourable the Bishop of Victoria, His Honour Sir William and Lady Rees Davies, Commodore and Mrs. Grace, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Kemp, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Trevelyan, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Hallifax, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Perkins, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Lang, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Ede, H.E. Mr. Justice and Mrs. Wood, Sir William and Lady Brunsford, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Irving, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Parr, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Bird, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Chow Shou-son, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Ng Hong-tsz, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Lowe, Mr. M. Bernard, Mr. Young, Lieut. Comm. Worthington, Mr. Dudley Hall, and Lieut. Fisher, A.D.C.

Besides His Excellency, Mr. Savern and her mother (Mrs. Bullock), and Captain Neville, A.D.C., and Mr. Rice, Private Secretary, were present at dinner. Subsequently a dance was held, a few additional guests being present. The orchestra of the Empress of Canada was in attendance at the dance, and the Ball Room was decorated with hanging baskets of pink and white flowers.

We understand that Sir Laurence Guillemard will remain in Hongkong until the 19th inst., when he will most probably leave for Singapore by the *Esqra*.

U.S. CANADIAN INVESTMENT CO.

A Device for Utilising German Currency.

New York, September 14. The William Schall Company announce the formation of the United European Investors, Ltd., under a Canadian charter to invest German marks held in the United States and Canada in German real estate, mortgages, securities, and commercial enterprises. Mr. Franklin Roosevelt is president and Mr. William Schall vice-president of the company, which will sell its common shares at the rate of ten thousand marks per share, the total capitalisation of the common shares being of the value of six hundred million marks.

THE REPARATIONS GUARANTEES.

German Bank Governor to Visit England.

Berlin, September 14. It is reported that the Government is sending the Governor of the Reichsbank to negotiate with the Bank of England regarding guarantees for reparations Treasury Bills.

POLISH REFUGEES.

A Five Years' Trek.

Marseilles, September 14. The M.M. steamer *Andre Lebon* has arrived here with 139 Polish refugees who took five years to cross European and Asiatic Russia on foot, eventually reaching Shanghai.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

Hungary Wants to Join.

Geneva, September 14. The Political sub-Commission of the League of Nations has decided to report favourably on the request by Hungary for admission to the League.

MONTREAL BANKER ACQUITTED.

Montreal, September 14. Mr. Macarow, General Manager of the defunct Merchants' Bank, has been acquitted on a charge of signing a false return of the bank's condition.

(Other Early and Special Telegrams on Pages 3 and 5.)

CANTON GOVERNOR'S POLICY.

Close Understanding With Hongkong.

FOREIGN CAPITAL NEEDED FOR MINING.

That Canton is settling down to normality after the recent disturbances was amply borne out by what a *Telegraph* representative saw and heard when he visited the neighbouring port yesterday. In striking contrast to the half-closed shops of scarcely a week ago, there were signs everywhere of "business as usual"—and even more than usual. The river traffic has been particularly heavy these past few days, the movement of goods, both outwards and inwards, being on a scale not known for a long time past. Since His Excellency Chan Chik-yue took over the office of Civil Governor eight days ago, confidence has been restored to a remarkable degree. Native merchants are again trading and there is very little evidence indeed to show that Canton has just passed through one of the most disturbing episodes in its post-monarchical days. The question of currency and the great depreciation in the value of the provincial paper money is still a big problem, but the position to-day is infinitely better than it was before Governor Chan came. There is widespread confidence that it will take but a little time before the currency of the province is back to stability.

Rule by Goodwill.

The *Telegraph* representative paid a visit to the new Governor and was very courteously received by him at the big yamen to the north-east of the city. The reception rooms of the residence have all been newly-furnished, and there is the general appearance and air of orderliness and efficiency. Apart from one or two Yamen Guards, there was an absence of soldiers, which greatly lent colour to the impression already formed that Canton is now being ruled more by goodwill than by force.

Governor Chan was full of hope for the future of the Province. "I am all for a well-governed and prosperous Kwangtung," he said. "We have succeeded in separating civil from military affairs, a step which should have been taken long ago. In a short time from now there will be no soldiers in the city. Only the police—under the Civil Authorities—will be responsible for keeping order. The headquarters of the Army will be just outside the city limits, and General Chan King-ming, who is coming to take up his duties as Commander-in-Chief in a few days, will direct all military matters from there. His main forces will be stationed at various centres throughout the province, and will maintain order and peace on the waterways. We are determined to put down the robbers and pirates and so make communications safe for traders. We have already done much to that end, and the Delta, serving such big centres as Heungshan, Shanshui, "hiuhing, Kongmoon, etc., is practically free from terror. The trade of the province is again on the move, and big silk and other cargoes are being shipped away. As time goes on, we shall still further improve the present display of confidence."

The Financial Outlook "The financial question is a big one, but I am confident that it will soon settle. Before I came, paper money was worth less than 40 cents to the dollar. On the day of my arrival it jumped up to 80 cents, but owing to big speculations and the flooding of the market with paper on the part of certain dealers, the exchange to-day has dropped to 60 cents. When Sun Yat-sen first came, there was about ten million dollars' worth of paper money issued, but when he left that had risen to about twenty millions. Still, having regard to the wealth of Canton and the enormous trade possibilities, if peace and order can be maintained, the sum is by no means a very large one. It should only be a matter of a short while before we are through the present difficulties."

GAVE HIMSELF AWAY.

"Empress" Cook in Trouble.

The saying that "blood is thicker than water" had a fresh illustration in an attempt made by a Chinese cook of the Empress of Canada to save a relative from being sent to the gallows. Stealing a quantity of copper metal. In the process he uttered certain statements which proved to be damaging to his own interests, as he was immediately ordered by the Magistrate to be put on the charge-sheet as a party to the theft.

What happened was that the watchman on duty at the gangway of the Empress liner, saw a saloon boy making for the wharf with a quantity of luggage carried by a coolie who preceded him.

A jar of oil attached to one end of the carrying pole slipped from its slings and was smashed on contact with the gangway. A block of solder metal which had been secreted in the jar then dropped out and gave the game away.

His relative, the ship's cook, at the Police Court this morning admitted that he gave the solder as a present to the defendant; and when pressed for a reply as to the precise place where he said he had picked up the metal, he added that it was in the ship's storeroom.

"Put this man on the charge sheet as the principal in the case," ordered Mr. Lindell, and the Inspector complied. The saloon boy was then given three weeks, the charge against him having been amended to one of receiving.

Mining Concessions.

The conversation turned to the subject of the future development of the province, Governor Chan remarking that he realised the importance of opening up the natural resources of the country. With regard to mining concessions in particular, he was convinced of the necessity of allowing foreign capital to be employed and also the need for foreign supervision and management, but all concessions or agreements would have to be of a reasonable and reciprocal nature. It was foolish, he said, for Canton people to go on buying Japanese coal when there was so much coal to be had in the province, but the development of the natural resources of Kwangtung would have to proceed along cautious and equitable lines.

Canton and Hongkong.

"I have lived for 30 years in Hongkong and so I know the necessity that exists for the two ports to work together. They are both so dependent one upon the other, that there must be the very closest co-operation. There is a Chinese saying that Hongkong and Canton are as the lips are to the teeth, and I think that expresses the relationship very well indeed. The strike in Hongkong affected Canton, and the Canton disturbances were immediately reflected in Hongkong. The interests of both ports are so interdependent that it would be foolish to aim for anything other than the closest of understandings. When I left Hongkong the godowns were filled with goods waiting to be sent up here, and now most of those goods have been brought up."

"A Plain Business Man."

Governor Chan was keen to express his determination to have nothing to do with Peking politics. He said he was a plain business man who had taken up the duties of public office at the wish of many people, and his sole object was to establish a peaceful, well-governed Kwangtung. Working with him in that intention was his old friend, General Chan King-ming, and they would both seek to make Kwangtung a model province. He was going to have nothing to do with the wider Chinese politics.

The interview was here brought to a close. Later in the day, our representative learned that the Customs returns for the past week have been high, this bearing out the fact that the trade of Canton is back to something approaching normality.



Mustapha Kemal, the Turkish Nationalist leader who has defeated the Greeks.

RESTORATION OF WEIHAIWEI.

A Chinese Demand.

A Peking telegram to hand to-day states that President Li Yuan-hung has received representations from Shantung Province, who have made a request that the restoration of Weihaiwei be effected without any restrictive conditions.

RAILWAY TROUBLE ENDED.

Chinese Workers' Demands Met.

A Shanghai telegram states that the authorities have agreed to the demands made by the employees of the Canton-Hankow Railway to withdraw the police, dismiss the station chief and compensate the workers.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The French mail steamer *Angers* has arrived, and consignees will find the usual notice on page 4.

Two thousand quarter-sacks of flour are being sold by Lammet Bros. at 11 a.m. to-morrow.—Page 4.

"The Silent Lie" is the star attraction at the World Theatre. Page 12.

The *Coronet* is showing "A Sailor-Made Man."—Pages 7 and 12.

LISTEN!

The only way to catch a customer is to get him within reach.

The Kowloon Theatre is showing "Heart of the Hills."—Page 12. Irene Castle in "The Firing Line" is the Star Theatre's attraction.—Pages 12 and 4.

There is to be a special matinee of the Hawaiian Troubadours to-morrow for the children.—Page 4.

The Tabacqueria Filipina is reducing the price of cigars by 20 per cent.—Page 4.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 6.11/16d.

The Weather.

2 p.m. Barometer:—29.63. Temperature:—87°. Humidity:—71%.

Lighting Up-Time.

Lighting up time to-day, 6.57 p.m.

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TRADE OF SWATOW.

Annual Customs Report.

The following extracts are from
the Chinese Maritime Customs
report for 1921:1. Local.—The year under re-
view was in almost every respect
a marked contrast to 1920. The
victory of the Southern Army
under Chan Kwing-ming had
established peace, but the pre-
sence of troops in the district was
still a disturbing factor, which
was happily removed early in the
year, when all available forces
were withdrawn to the new centre
of conflict in Kwangsi. The feel-
ing of insecurity which had been
an incubus on the port for so
many years having been eliminat-
ed, trade was resumed with great
activity, the net value, Hk. Tls.
\$2,121,439, being a record for Swatow
and the revenue being also the
largest (exclusive of opium
duties) collected since the opening
of the port. Owing to a prolon-
ged drought in the winter of 1920-
21, the first rice crop was some-
what meagre, but, in spite of re-
strictions on export from Wuhu,
the price of the grain fell to
normal (\$6), as abundant supplies
were available from Bangkok.
The autumn crop was fair, al-
though somewhat handicapped by
a second period of prolonged dry-
ness, which, however, favoured the
sugar and orange plantations, the
latter especially providing an ex-
cellent crop. The autumn drought
affected the waterways inland.
Shipping facilities were excellent,
and freights remained low. In
March and April 40,000 emigrants
were shipped to the Straits Settle-
ments and Siam, and this passen-
ger trade, which implies the full
renewal of business, has returned
to the normal. To cope with this
revival the opening of the new
Custom House and Examination
Shed, which took place on the 25th
July, was timely. The scheme for
the construction of a bond refer-
red to in the Trade Report for 1920,
has not yet been carried into
effect, but funds are being raised
by the sale of unclaimed freights,
1924, and work is to begin as soon
as the necessary amount has been
raised. The Municipal Council
have also in hand a road-widen-
ing scheme, and a Highway
Bureau has been established to
build roads into the interior. At
present there are only two fac-
tories of modern type, the Hing
Sheng Soap Works and the Yau
Hua Match Factory. The output
of the former in 1921 was 12,210
piculs of soap, of which one-half
was exported, the balance sent
locally, and the balance sent
locally. The match factory's out-
put was 122,169 gross, practically
all of which was consumed locally
or sent inland.2. Revenue.—The revenue
yielded a total of Hk. Tls. 1,334,178,
an increase of Hk. Tls. 224,488,
or 20 per cent., in which all
the heads of duty shared, the in-
crease being in export duties,
which advanced from Hk. Tls.
532,239 to Hk. Tls. 652,991—a re-
sult for the port.3. Shipping.—(a) Under Gen-
eral Regulations.—The entries
and clearances of 3,900 vessels,
aggregating 3,912,621 tons, repre-
sented an increase of almost
million tons on the figures of 1920.
British vessels numbered 2,169,
with a tonnage of 2,729,195 tons,
an increase of 475 vessels and
696,340 tons, the percentage of
the total tonnage falling, however,
from 72 to 69. There was an in-
crease (from 14 to 15 per cent.)
in Japanese shipping, from 662
vessels, of 414,894 tons, to 659
vessels, of 707,510 tons, as, in
spite of the continuance of the
boycott, trade between Formosa
and Haiphong was maintained via
Amoy, Swatow, and Hongkong,
little cargo being carried, but the
service being supported by a mail
subsidy. The Chinese flag showed
a slight decrease, the Italian
and Portuguese flags were no
longer represented and the
vessels which had been under the
Russian flag in 1920 reappeared
under French registry in 1921.
Dutch tonnage, from the Nether-
lands Indies, increased. The
Hydranges continued, on the
Hongkong run and still receives
much popular support for senti-
mental reasons. There was keen
competition on the Singapore and
Bangkok lines between the four
new China Navigation Company's
steamers of the "K" class, the
Indo-China Steam Navigation
Company's vessels, the Siamsea
line, and several Norwegian
freighters chartered by Chinese
merchants at Bangkok, the result
being a considerable reduction in
freights, which stimulated trade.
At the end of the year the boycott
of the China Navigation Company
became effective and led to a rush
of vessels under charter, whichmaintained the shipping service
in activity in spite of the with-
drawal of the regular vessels of
the British company.(b) Under Inland Steam Na-
vigation Rules.—The number of
entries and clearances of these
vessels increased by 833, but the
tonnage decreased by 5,051 tons,
owing to the withdrawal of some
of the larger launches. There are
at present 13 steam-launches and
52 motor-launches plying between
Swatow and inland places.Increased Exports.—(a) Im-
ports Direct and Coastwise.—
In net value foreign reports
aggregated Hk. Tls. 21,281,627,
an advance of Hk. Tls.
9,052,442, representing 75 per
cent. over the figures for 1920,
which were the lowest for a long
period of years. Practically all
classes of goods participated in
the increase. Dealers in piece
goods experienced difficulties at
the beginning of the year owing
to reduction of profits by adverse
exchange, but later on business
revived and continued brisk until
the close of the year.(b) Chinese Goods.—(i) Ex-
ports, Abroad and Coastwise (in-
cluding Re-exports).—The expan-
sion noted in the report for 1920
has continued, and the export
trade in 1921 was almost double
that of 1917, the advance being
particularly conspicuous in coast-
wise exports, which have made
remarkable progress since 1913.
The revival in the trade with
Siam and the Straits Settlements,
due to the re-establishment of
favourable exchange, was check-
ed, as regards the latter, by the
damp in the rubber industry, but
exports to Bangkok increased
throughout the year, and the trade
was very profitable to dealers.
Practically all the chief exports
to foreign countries show in-
creases, the exceptions being
sugar and chinaware.(ii) Imports.—The net value of
Chinese goods imported from
other ports increased by Hk. Tls.
3,335,275 to Hk. Tls. 33,001,281.
Half of the total value is repre-
sented by chinaware, of which
2,674,104 piculs, valued at Hk.
Tls. 30,415,197, were imported,
and Shanghai cotton yarn, 141,961
piculs, valued at Hk. Tls. 9,994,450,
the latter figure being almost
double that for 1920. Chinese
silk and matches have displaced
the Japanese products, not to
mention cotton yarn, of which
much of the import for the home
at Hongkong was Japanese until
recently.(c) Inland Transit.—(i) In-
wards under Transit Passes.—
This trade, though not large, is
progressive, the figures, Hk. Tls.
4,299,111, showing an increase of
about Hk. Tls. 40,000 and the num-
ber of passes taken out being
double the 1920 figures.(ii) Outwards under Transit
Certificates.—Only two passen-
gers were valued at Hk. Tls. 1,947,
were taken out. The trade con-
sisted solely of tobacco from the
best Fokien plantations, pur-
chased by Japanese for export to
Formosa, the decline to insignifi-
cance is attributable to the boy-
cott.Passenger Traffic Revival.
Passenger Traffic.—There
was a revival of passenger trafficin all branches; the numbers
travelling inland increased from
1,300,000 to 1,546,000, peaceful
conditions having been restored
and the commandeering of steam-
launches ceased. Emigrants to
Siam, the Straits Settlements, etc.,
increased from 80,000 to 100,000,
which is a return to the normal
state of affairs before the war.
Coolies no longer go direct from
here to the Deli tobacco planta-
tions, but are engaged at Hong-
kong, this having become neces-
sary some time ago owing to in-
terference by the military here.
The numbers of emigrants return-
ing from abroad increased from
30,000 to 36,000, leaving a balance
of 61,000 outwards, mostly to
Siam.9. Opium.—Seizures of opium
are still of frequent occurrence,
although opium-smuggling is a
capital offence. During the year
a total of 162.75 cartons was con-
fiscated and destroyed.10. Miscellaneous.—The year
has been fairly healthy, in spite
of the extraordinary dryness both
early and late in the year; only
47.86 inches of rainfall were re-
corded, as against 98.99 inches in
1919 and 69.91 inches in 1920, the
latter figure being near normal.
The maximum temperature was
101° F., on the 6th August, and
the minimum 40° F., on the 20th
and 21st January. Earthquake
shocks are still frequently felt
here, but there has been no recur-
rence of any severe shock.11. Native Customs.—Revenue.—
The collection of Hk. Tls. 136,000
in 1920 established a record for
Native Customs collection, but
the year under review shows a
total of Hk. Tls. 172,000 (not in-
cluding famine relief surtax).
For the most part crops have been
fairly good, averaging from 60 to
70 per cent.Shipping.—The number of junks
entering and clearing during the
year is given as 60,350, with a
tonnage of 1,257,266 tons, an in-
crease over the previous largest
totals in 1920, which show 52,531
junks and 1,071,054 tons.Imports.—The value of cargo
imported from foreign countries
by junk during the year was Hk.
Tls. 151,024, as compared with Hk.
Tls. 121,251 in 1920, and from
Chinese ports, Hk. Tls. 2,661,645,
as compared with Hk. Tls. 2,428,937
in the previous year, a grand
total of Hk. Tls. 2,812,669 for 1921,
and Hk. Tls. 2,459,134 for 1920.
The trade with foreign countries
was entirely with Formosa and
Hongkong.Exports.—Exports to Hongkong
and Formosa dwindled from Hk.
Tls. 1,700 in 1920 to nil for the
year under review. Chinese pro-
ducts of local origin exported to
Chinese ports show an increase
from Hk. Tls. 507,000 in 1920 to
Hk. Tls. 569,000 for 1921, and
Maritime Customs duty-paid ar-
ticles forwarded to Chinese ports
outside the prefecture show a de-
crease from Hk. Tls. 2,312,000 to
Hk. Tls. 2,210,000, the grand total
of exports for 1921 showing Hk.
Tls. 2,763,000, as compared with
Hk. Tls. 2,821,000 for 1920. These
figures do not include cargo im-
ported through the Maritime Customs
and allowed to be sent into the
prefecture with payment of
document tax only.THE NEAR EAST TROUBLE.
Paris, Sept. 14.
A report from Athens is that the press is urging all necessary
measures to defend Thrace to the bitter end. The army there is
represented as determined to resist all comers. Refugees from
Anatolia continue to arrive in Greece, where their maintenance
is causing serious anxiety.Smyrna, Sept. 14.
Order has been completely restored and the authorities have
taken measures to return the refugees to their homes.
A portion of the Greek army holding out on Chios Pen-
insula has surrendered. The bulk of the Turkish army under
Kjial has arrived at Smyrna.Rome, Sept. 14.
The Tribuna reports that the Cabinet has drafted a reply to
Britain with a view to emphasising the necessity for the re-es-
tablishment of peace in the East and avoiding a spread of the con-
flagration. The paper thinks this will result in the rapid summoning
of a conference.LONDON, Sept. 14.
A Colonial Office communication has been received by Lord
Sydenham with reference to a question asked in the House of Lords
last session, whether the Premier of Malta (Mr. Joseph Howard)
was also the Consul for Japan and whether these functions were
considered mutually compatible.The letter specifies Mr. Joseph Howard's duties as honorary
Consul and states these are now being performed by his son Robert
Howard, and Baron Hayashi is arranging for recognition of the
latter while his father is in the Ministry.Lord Sydenham, in a letter to the Times, thinks the letter
unsatisfactory. He does not consider the duties of Consul of a
great power at an important naval station can be wholly of a non-
diplomatic character as alleged. He says Mr. Howard has
publicly appeared in Japanese Consular uniform. He regards
this as unbecoming in the Premier of a British possession. He
assumes the anomaly is ended by the hereditary succession.LADY MISSIONARY DEAD.
London, Sept. 14.
The death is announced of Miss Annie Taylor, leader of the
Tibetan Pioneer Mission. She lived in Tibet for many years, and
was previously in China under the Inland Mission.CHINA TRADE ACT.
Washington, Sept. 14.
The Senate has passed the China Trade Act providing for tax
exemption for American concerns doing business with China. By
the terms of the Bill the companies will operate under a United
States charter.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

AMERICAN RAILWAY STRIKE.

Washington, Sept. 14.

The Secretary for Labour announces that a virtual settlement
of the railway strike has been reached, as far as 35 per cent. of
the companies are concerned.The Secretary for Labour added that the railway settlement
would affect 65,000 miles of track. Sixty-two railways are con-
cerned in the settlement, which follows the lines of the tentative
agreement between the shopmen's and employers' leaders for
separate agreements for each railway.

THE IRISH FIGHTING.

London, Sept. 14.

A National setback is reported belatedly from Kenmare, Co.
Kerry, which the Irregulars captured after seven hours' fierce
fighting. Brigadier O'Connor, commanding the Nationalists, also
his brother, was killed and 120 of the garrison taken prisoners.
Subsequently they were liberated ten miles away, after effective
control of Kenmare was secured.

THE REPARATIONS PROBLEM.

Berlin, Sept. 14.

Belgium has requested Germany to hand over without delay
two Treasury bonds payable in gold, for 50,000,000 gold marks
each, on account of payments due on 15th August and 15th Sep-
tember, and to deposit with the National Bank of Belgium
100,000,000 gold marks.

CANADIAN BANK PROSECUTION.

Montreal, Sept. 14.

On the application of the Crown, the Grand Jury brought in
a true bill against Sir Montagu Allan, on the charge of negligently
signing a false Government return of the Merchants' Bank condi-
tion for October.

SAILORS' HOURS.

Paris, Sept. 14.

The executive committee of the Seamen's Unions has decided
to call a twenty-three hour strike when the regulations dealing
with hours of labour aboard ship come into effect.

TROUBLE IN MID-ASIA.

Paris, Sept. 14.

A report from Baku says that important events are expected
in Mid-Asia. A Moscow message announces large concentrations
on the Bokhara front. The Nationalists there are preparing to
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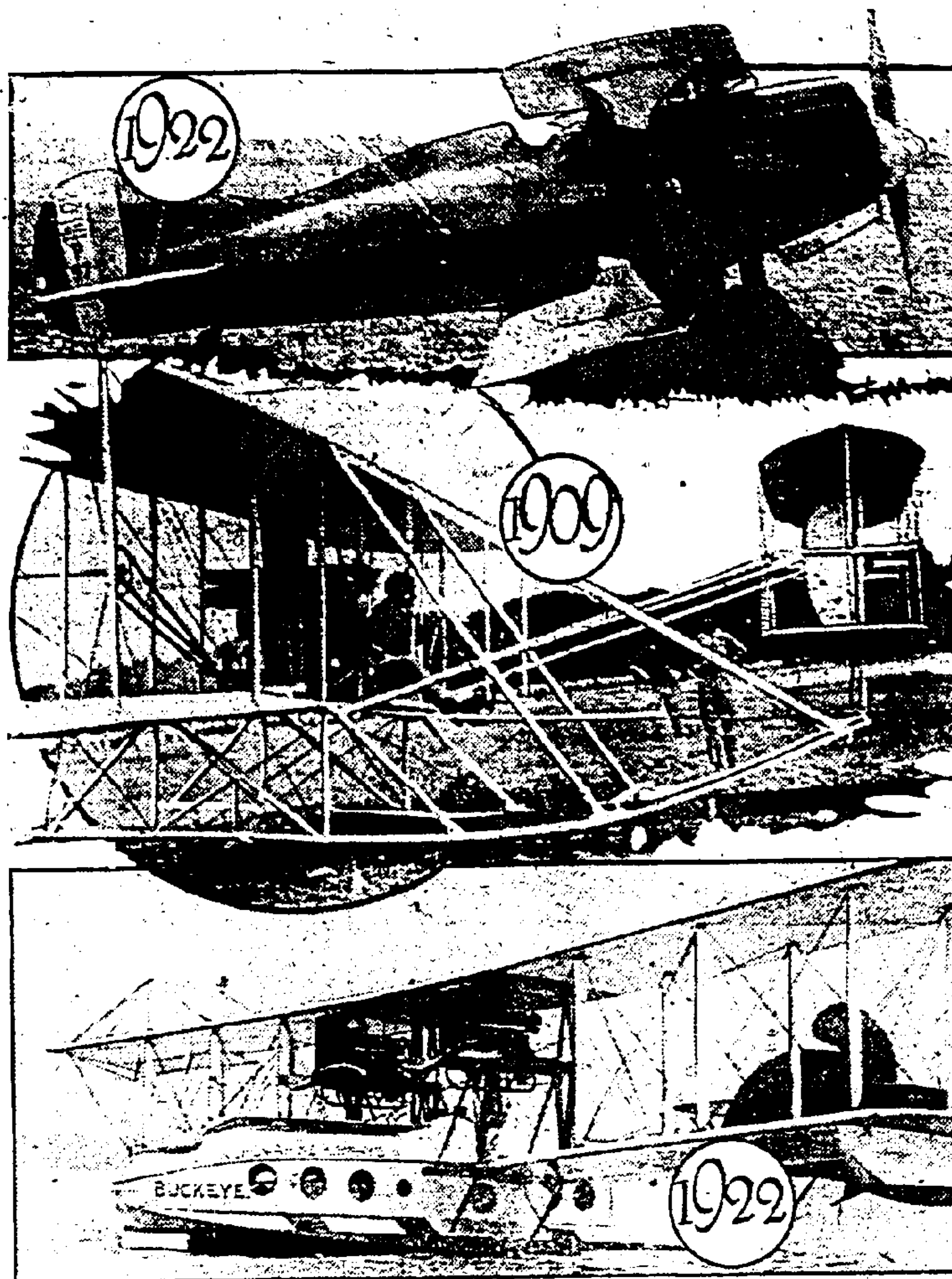
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EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From the Daily Correspondent.)

ANOTHER TYPHOON.

Shanghai, Sept. 14.—A typhoon struck the coast of China and Yanchow in a severe typhoon. The damage is estimated to run into millions of dollars. The population expected a rain of terror. Shacks, roofs and the smaller houses were blown down and the roofs blown off the larger houses. Many native boats, junks and cargo boats were lost.

ATTEMPTED MURDER.

Victim's Narrow Escape.

The hearing commenced at the Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon of a case in which a Chinese was charged with attempted murder. The complainant is a contractor for painting work. On the 27th ult. he was shot at the junction of Station and Aberdeen Streets on his way home, the bullet entering the back of his head.

Dr. D. J. Valentine, of the Government Civil Hospital, deposed that the complainant was admitted to hospital with a bullet wound at the back of his head. From the appearance of the wound the shot must have been fired directly from behind. By means of the X-rays he discovered that the bullet broke up into fragments, which scattered about in the muscles of the head. The brain was not touched. None of the fragments of lead had been removed; it would be a tedious operation to do so. The complainant stayed in the hospital for nine days. He was now out of danger.

In reply to Mr. H. L. Denys, the prosecuting solicitor, Dr. Valentine said that the man escaped death by a mere duke.

Mr. T. W. Ainsworth adjourned the case.

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A SINGAPORE BANKRUPTCY.

Hongkong Prisoner's Disappearance.

The peculiar position that has arisen in the affairs of Cheong Sang Chuan, in consequence of the disappearance of Yen Cheong Sang, a former manager, and his subsequent disappearance from the Straits of Johore when he was last brought back under arrest from Hongkong, was under consideration at the last Singapore Bankruptcy Court, the Official Assignee, Mr. Saunders, having presided.

Mr. Saunders explained that the business was started nineteen years ago, but the seven partners had all died, and the difficulty arose on account of that fact.

After hearing Mr. F. G. Stevens for Tan Chuan-ye, who is at present carrying on the business, and Mr. H. B. Jackson, for the creditors, His Lordship said he could do nothing until he had somebody in a proper representative capacity, and if application were made by Tan Chuan-ye to be appointed a receiver it would be possible to give such directions as were appropriate.

WORLD THEATRE.

"The Silent Lie."

"The Silent Lie," the R. A. Walsh drama which William Fox presents to-day at the World Theatre, tells the story of a woman who battles against the almost overpowering wrath and resentment of her own father, who has detested her almost from birth because of her mother's unfaithfulness. The girl, Lady Lou (Miriam Cooper) is left for dead in the snow. She is rescued by Conahan (Charles Clary). After she has married him he suspects that her past has not been without blemish. Her own father (Ralph Lewis) confirms Conahan's belief, and the big trapper finds solace in the loneliness of his forest cabin. When he learns that the father is trying to bring disgrace on his wife, Conahan returns to the village. He arrives in time to save Lady Lou from shame, and to learn that she still loves him, in spite of his unjust suspicions.

THE VICKERS BONDS.

China's Further Default.

London, Sept. 14.—Announcing the lack of funds to meet the next coupon of the Chinese 5 per cent. Vickers bonds, they have been informed by their Peking representative that the Chinese Government is prepared to secure these notes on the proposed increase in Customs duties, which the International Commission is considering, and the British Minister at Peking is unable to take cognizance of this proposed arrangement, as the Commission has not yet completed its investigation.—Reuter.

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AUSTRALIA AND REPARATIONS.

Mr. Hughes, the Commonwealth Premier, answering a question in the House of Representatives, said that the Government had received an official telegram in regard to Lord Balfour's Note. It was not considered necessary, he said, for the Commonwealth to be represented at conferences on reparations, but the Government reserved the right either to accept any decisions of the conferences or to stand by the Treaty of Versailles in relation to reparations if it thought fit. When and if the Conference modified the terms of the Treaty so as to reduce the amount due to the Empire by way of reparations, an opportunity would be given to Parliament to express its concurrence or dissent.

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(British Section)

THE Public is hereby notified that the 8.35 a.m. train from Kowloon to Taipei, Sheung Shui and Shum Chun will be resumed on Sunday the 17th. instant and will run on Sundays and Public Holidays until further notice. Local passengers will not be conveyed by the 8.07 a.m. express on those days.

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H. P. WINSLOW, Manager.

Kowloon, 12th. Sept., 1922.

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STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY.

THE UNDERSIGNED have from the 1st day of September 1922 taken over the business of the above named Company as a going concern and as from such date all outstanding accounts due to or from the said Company shall be received or discharged by the undersigned. Dated the 8th day of Sept., 1922. LEUNG ENTIN, FUNG TAT HANG.

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"If I can raise funds to the total amount of some five million dollars" says Mr. Chang Ying-hua, the Chinese vice Minister of Finance, "the national finances will be effectively readjusted within two or three months without negotiating any foreign loan. It seems that vice-Minister Chang is fundamentally opposed to negotiate foreign loans, but he has to do so inasmuch as the Chinese bankers have flatly refused to make any advances to the Central Government. However he is perfectly conscious of the unreliability of the Government authorities who are accustomed to forget their word and consequently he is compelled to negotiate foreign loans with good security solely for financing the Civil Administration, says the Peking Evening News.

Regarding the security of the proposed foreign loan, the Vice-Minister intends to mortgage the increased custom tariff of 5% ad valorem which will yield about ten million dollars annually.

By the way, it appears that he is strenuously planning for the early convocation of the proposed national financial conference.

This conference will be opened under the auspices of the Central authority and be attended by the delegates from the provinces and administrative circuits so that the stringent financial circumstances of the national exchequer will be brought to light and full understanding between the Government and provinces is expected to be reached satisfactorily on the financial affairs.

SINCE TO BE ABOLISHED. As the Director-General of the Salt Administration, vice Minister Chang is also devising means to improve the Salt Administration in the provinces where irregularities and malpractices are unscrupulously committed. He has promised that after a few months he will extirpate all the obstacles and corruptions of the salt-administrations thus adding some \$13,000,000 to the annual incomes. He has further contemplated enforcing his reformation policy by reducing the staffs of the salt administration and relieving those who hold sinecures of office.

Henceforth the monthly expenses of the Central Government will be reduced from \$3,500,000 to \$2,000,000 with the enthusiastic support of the different official organizations. Moreover, vice-Minister Chang has openly declared that he will exert his utmost to remit the salaries of the employees of the Central Government regularly, but with reference to the clearance of the back salaries, he thinks it can only be paid by instalments in the future.

PREMIER BUSY WITH FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Having formally resumed his duty in the Cabinet Office, Dr. Wang Chung-hui pays his unbiased attention to the financial affairs. A telegram was circulated as well as to the powerful leaders as well as to the financial improvement. He has further summoned Kao

Ek-hung, Minister of Communications, Chang Ying-hua, vice-Minister of Finance and Wang Yu-chih, Director-General of the Tobacco and Wine Administration, to a secret consultation and has proposed the remittance of the incomes of the Ministry of Communications, and the Tobacco and Wine Administration as well as the Salt Administration in advance. According to the estimate of Dr. Wang about five million dollars will be thus raised for meeting the urgent needs for the time being.

PROPOSED SEA CHANGE.

A suggestion has been made to the Federal Government that Tasman Sea between Australia and New Zealand should be called Anzac Sea. The matter was raised in the House of Representatives. The Prime Minister replied, saying that personally he did not object to the change, but he was unaware of any authority or power to make it. Australia had none. It was a serious thing to change the name of a great ocean highway.

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GENERAL NEWS.

CHINESE LABOURERS EXPELLED FROM JAPAN.

The *Eastern Times* reports that three batches of Chinese labourers, 90 men in all, expelled from Japan, have returned to Shanghai. On the authority of "an umbrella" the paper states that the Japanese government fully realizes that expulsion of these men must create bad feeling among the Chinese, and Japanese newspapers have been forbidden to publish news and comment on the subject. This intelligent umbrella man further states that Chinese labourers still in Japan cannot obtain work.

SHANGHAI'S STREET UNIONS. After the subsidence of the initial blurb of enthusiasm, the Street Unions of Shanghai seem

to be rent by internal dissension. Recently when meetings have been called under the auspices of one or other of these bodies, lamentably little support has been forthcoming, and now they are in even a worse position, for two "head associations" have made their appearance, each claiming the correct apostolic succession for itself. Neutral members who still desire that the Union should exist are doing their best to effect a reconciliation, without, so far, any pronounced measure of success.

FUNDS FOR BOLSHEVIST PROPAGANDA IN CHINA. The *Eastern Times* announces that Mr. Joffe, the Soviet representative, is proceeding to distribute 10,000,000 roubles among journalists, educationists, and Members of Parliament, for the spreading Bolshevist propaganda.

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All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th. September, 1922, at 10 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.

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Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th. Sept. will be subject to rent.

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THE FUTURE OF TSINGTAO.

Alleged Japanese Attempt at Monopoly.

The extent of American and European participation in future trade in Tsingtao and Shantung province depends upon the outcome of the negotiations now in progress between the Chinese and Japanese respecting the Tsingtao land leases held by the Japanese. states an American report from Tsingtao. When Japan captured the port from the Germans the Japanese government acquired, largely by forced purchase, more than 1,000 acres of the most desirable business and waterfront property and then leased it largely to Japanese subjects on a 10 year basis.

Japanese delegates are now attempting to induce Chinese to agree to an extension of these land leases for a period of 20 or 30 years.

If China agrees to this it will give Japan practically complete control of all desirable property and will effectively prevent other foreign interests or even Chinese from becoming important factors in future trade of the port, which is geographically restricted in area.

Local Chinese business men is an interview with a Press correspondent express desire for others to open trade relations with Shantung province and bring pressure to bear on the Chinese delegation to refuse extension of the Japanese land leases.

The Japanese are now feverishly constructing new buildings on the leased property in order to make the Chinese acquisition more difficult.

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ABOLITION OF LIKIN LEADS TO NEW TAXES.

Provincial Tax and Intended to Introduce Consumption and Production Tax.

Peking, Sept. 5.—Regarding the abolition of the obnoxious *likin*, some powerful Tsuchuns such as General Chi Hsieh-yuan of Kiangsu and General Hsiao Yao-nan of Hupeh have wired to the Government. According to the accounts of the military leaders who are chiefly depending upon the receipts of the various *likin* stations within their respective provinces for the upkeep of their mercenary soldiers for their personal privileges, the annual income from *likin* amounts to fifty million dollars while the estimated receipt from an increased customs revenue is only about forty millions. Hence in order to make both ends meet, the Tsuchuns propose the levying of production as well as consumption taxes and they say that the collection of the production and consumption taxes will not affect existing Sino-foreign commercial agreements.

On account of the financial stringency, the Government is making preparations towards the collection of the proposed two taxes. After proper discussion by the members of the All-China Financial Discussion Commission, of which Dr. Wellington Koo is Chairman, the question will be put before the Cabinet Ministers for final decision. It is reported that the Chinese authorities intend to levy a production tax of two per cent, and a consumption tax of from five to seven and a half per cent, and for the purpose of saving expenses, the work will be entrusted to the Native Customs in the various provinces. According to information from a reliable source, the special Sino-foreign tariff commission which will decide about the abolition of the *likin* and the increase of the customs revenue to twelve and a half per cent, will be opened in Peking next year after the termination of the existing tariff commission in Shanghai.

DISSOLUTION OF THE KOKUMINTO.

Senior Japanese Party Wound Up.

The Kokuminto, the oldest political party in Japan, was formally dissolved on the 1st. inst. by a unanimous vote of some three hundred members who met at the party headquarters in Tokyo.

Addressing the gathering, Mr. Inukai, the President of the Party, gave a review of its history and achievements since its establishment in 1911. For the past ten years or more, he said, the Kokuminto has pursued a definite line of policy and has weathered many storms. Though it is thirty years since a constitutional form of government was inaugurated in this country, party politics have made little progress, the various parties apparently devoting more of their energy to self aggrandizement than to the interests of the country. The result is that now the people are complaining of the shortcomings of the party system, and of inefficiency of local government. In order to bring about an improvement in the political situation and the relations between the parties and the people, it is necessary that the parties would be reconstructed on new lines. This is the reason, he concluded, why the Kokuminto is being dissolved, and it is our hope that it may be merged into a stronger and more representative organization.

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WORLD-WIDE SPORT.

By scoring 45 for Sussex against Warwick at Brighton, Bowley completed his 1,000 runs for the season.

A remarkable performance of billiards was given by John Mitchell in the Portobello Working Men's Institute the other night. He scored 918 in a two-hour game, and made breaks of 107, 73, 45, 45 and 43.

Jack Allan, the well-known Monifieth golfer who for the last year has been professional at Sandy Lodge Course, has received a golfing appointment with the Port Elizabeth Club, South Africa.

The only lady (Miss Sharp) who took part in a putting competition at Musselburgh took her opponent to the 21st. hole, before she was defeated. The competition was on the hole and hole principle and over 100 took part.

At a meeting of the Northampton Cricket Club committee permission was given to V. W. C. Jupp, the club secretary, and former Sussex player, to accept the invitation to join the team the M.C.C. is sending to South Africa in the autumn.

Hampshire's collapse against Middlesex at Portsmouth was remarkable. Stevens, Haig, and Darton bowled with devastating effect, and in their second innings Hants' top scorer was Shibley with seven runs.

Tudor Williams, the Swansea and Welsh international half-back, was instantly killed at a colliery near Swansea yesterday whilst at work, through coming in contact with a live electric cable. Williams played for Wales against France last year.

In the final of the Royal Canadian Golf Association's Open Championship over 36 holes, C. C. Fraser (Kanawak) beat N. M. Scott (Royal Montreal) at the 37th. hole after a tie.

The balance-sheet of the Portsmouth Football Company, for last season shows expenses £14,480, and a profit, after paying entertainment tax, of £1,070. The gate receipts totalled £18,090.

The death is announced of Mr. E. Harwood Greenhalgh, a well-known athlete of nearly 50 years ago. Mr. Greenhalgh took part in the first international match under association rules between England and Scotland at Hamilton Crescent, Partick, in 1872.

SHOULD A DOCTOR HAVE 4,000 PATIENTS?

London Insurance Committee and Panel Treatment.

An interesting point was raised at a meeting of the London Insurance Committee concerning the number of patients that a panel doctor may claim.

A member pointed out that, whereas under the original arrangement, no single-handed doctor could have more than 3,000 persons on his list, he could now take on more, and so have a roll of even 4,000.

It was a question, he added, whether any doctor could give proper treatment to 4,000 people even though he would be entitled to 9s. 6d. a head.

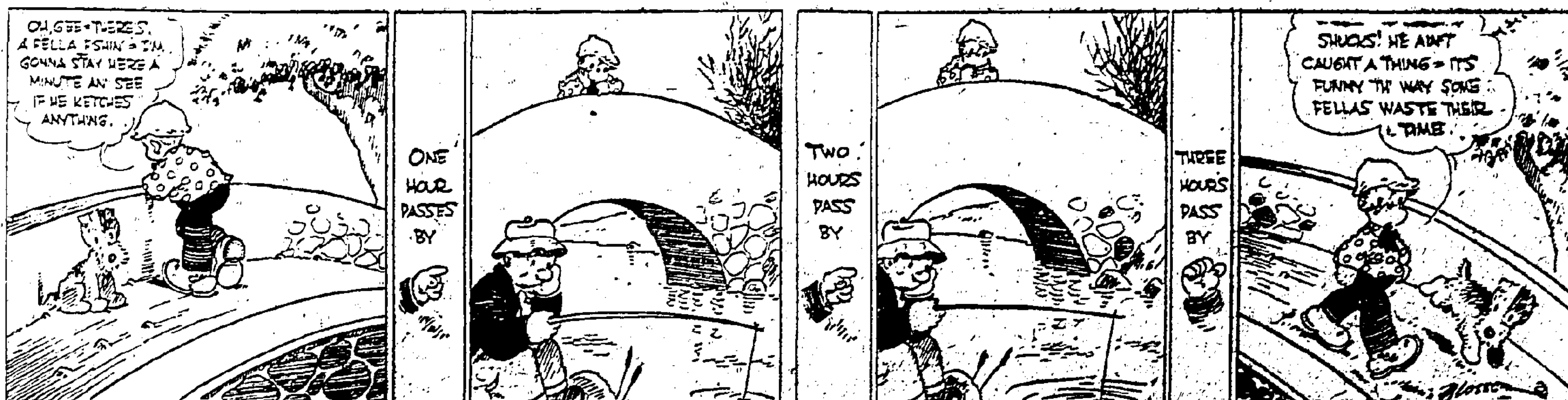
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A BUDGET HOLIDAY?

One cannot look through the annual report of the Director of Public Works, comprising over a hundred pages, without realising the tremendous amount of work which that Department does. Schemes of great magnitude are now engaging its attention, to say nothing of the important works which come within the purview of its ordinary activities. Last year, a sum of more than four and a half million dollars was actually spent by the P.W.D.—a figure which will give some slight idea of the extent of the Department's labours. It is no disparagement of any other branch of the administration to say that the P.W.D. is the hardest worked of any. With an admittedly insufficient staff, it is carrying on in the face of unprecedented demands for more houses, better roads and general improvements; and when one ponders over what is accomplished it must be agreed that the Department is worthily maintaining past traditions in seeing that the material progress of the colony keeps pace with its steady growth in other directions. Under Mr. Perkins, one of the hardest and most conscientious workers the Government has ever had in its service, great things are being done, quietly but thoroughly.

The point occurs to us, however, as to whether we are not expecting too much from an understaffed Department. Certainly the Budget votes are in excess of the sums used up. Last year over \$7,375,000 was set aside for the P.W.D., whereas the actual expenditure was \$4,642,000 odd. It is put on record in the report that works for which substantial sums were allocated were not proceeded with, whilst in others less progress was made than was anticipated. We know that it is no easy matter to estimate Government expenditure for a whole year, but there is ample evidence to show that large sums are voted which, it is known, cannot possibly be absorbed. That is a bad policy, the more so when it is carried to excess. The Morning Post has thrown out a useful hint by urging "a Budget holiday" so far as non-essential new schemes are concerned. The best manner of

procedure in this direction would be to make serious cuts in the appropriations for Public Works Extraordinary. Last year a sum of over \$5,700,000 was earmarked under this heading, but the expenditure was only \$3,053,000.

The suggestion we put forward is that the P.W.D. has already sufficient work on hand to keep it more than busy for the coming twelve months. If new schemes were postponed for a year, or only those which are urgently needed begun, a chance would be given for the Department to catch up with arrears. And, after all, one year would not greatly matter in the progressive development of the colony. In our opinion, it is not fair to an understaffed Department to keep piling work on to it ad infinitum. In the long run, concentration on partially-completed schemes, rather than adding to the burden, would pay. We put forward this point in the interests of the P.W.D. and of the Colony as a whole, feeling that it is worthy of serious consideration by those engaged in the preparation of the coming Budget.

School Hours.

The Peak School is to reopen on Monday, under new conditions so far as hours are concerned. As an experiment, it is said, there will be no afternoon school, the morning hours being increased in proportion. According to the revised hours, all classes are in future to begin at 8.30 a.m., the kindergarten section lasting until 11.30 and the other classes until 12.40. It is stated that there is among the parents concerned a practically unanimous desire for some such arrangement. But we hear of cases in which parents have not been consulted in the matter at all. There is objection in some quarters to the proposed change, which, we cannot help thinking, would have much more to recommend it had it been initiated at the beginning, instead of at the end of the year. Now that the days are drawing in, it will soon mean, under this arrangement, that the youngsters will have to be getting out of bed in the dark in order to be in time for school! In any case, over four hours at a stretch in school seems much too long a session for children. And we shouldn't imagine that parents who send their kiddies to the kindergarten class in order that the little ones may have their minds occupied in an interesting manner would welcome the prospect of their being turned out of school at 11.30 a.m. for the rest of the day. Is this a new fad of the Director of Education? And is it to be extended to other schools also? To confine schooling to mornings only, doesn't seem like giving parents value for money, anyhow.

A Fragment of History.

According to a U.S. radio message, a sequel to the Greek debacle may be the deposition of King Constantine, albeit nothing definite has transpired. "Tino," commonly described as King of Greece, is constitutionally King of the Hellenes (or Greek people). What is the difference? This form of the Greek monarch's title, we opine, is an outcome of the controversy over the Divine Right doctrine, which caused a revolution in England, followed by a similar movement in France. After "ninety-three," the title of the sovereigns of our chief ally was no longer "King of France," but "King of the French." One of them acquired the soubriquet of the "Citizen King." The distinction marked the transfer of sovereignty from King to subject by making the Crown dependent upon the will of the nation; hence "Constantine King of the Hellenes." Such at least appears to be the theory, though "Tino" could not well set up any claim to Divine Right, seeing that, unlike the rulers who based their status upon age-long succession, he belongs to an alien family, which was invited to the Greek throne. When Constantine returned to Greece last year the people fell over his neck and wept tears of joy, although by most reports the exile had thought of himself rather than of the country. To-day, when it does not appear that any special blame attaches to the sovereign, comes a report that he is in some danger of losing his throne.

DAY BY DAY.

OF ALL THE SIGNS OF A CORRUPT HEART AND FEEBLE HEAD, A TENDENCY TO INCREDULITY IS SUREST.—Lytton.

One case each of plague and small-pox (both Chinese) were notified yesterday.

General Chan King-ming is due back in Canton to-day, after his visit to Mr. Tang Shao-yi at the latter's native village.

Amongst the passengers who returned by the Empress of Canada were Mr. and Mrs. C. Edgcombe and Mr. L. Forster.

A general increase of fares on Chinese railways is foreshadowed, states a native news agency. A special tax on goods likewise seems to be contemplated.

A cargo coolie was knocked down by a tram on the Praya West yesterday whilst carrying a sack of rice from a junk into the go-down. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

A leather purse containing \$117 was stolen from Dr. Jau Hawke's residence in the early hours of this morning. The burglar had apparently got up on to the verandah and entered the bedroom through the door, which was left open.

The s.s. Kwang Tab, which arrived in port from Shanghai this morning, reports that the centre of a severe typhoon passed over the ship at half-past six on the night of the 11th, and afterwards a quantity of small wreckage and numerous upturned water-logged junks were sighted.

Whilst walking last night down Caine Lane, Fung Kwan, living at No. 8, Mui Ko Terrace, was stopped by four men, who, coming up suddenly from behind, forced him to the ground. Meeting with resistance, they rained blows on the victim and left him half-conscious after stealing \$50 in notes from his girdle.

Pleading that he was waiting for a friend who was to have paid his fare, but who got separated from him, in the rush that followed when a crowd attempted to board the same car, a Chinese charged by one of the European Traffic Inspectors of the Tramway Company for not paying his fare was ordered by the Magistrate this morning to pay a fine of \$10, or to undergo fourteen days' hard labour. Evidence was given that the defendant, when caught, was found to be without a cent.

Another big seizure comprising fifteen revolvers and 3,045 rounds of ammunition, led the police this morning to make an application that, in view of the seriousness of the case, advantage be taken of the extraordinary powers granted under the new Ordinance to have the hearing before both Magistrates. It was stated that the haul was effected early this morning aboard the On Lee, trading between here and Kongsmoon. The defendant in the case, who is being represented by Mr. M. K. Lo, was remanded until to-morrow morning.

From Samshui comes a report from a contractor that his house, at No. 155, Kih Hung Street, was entered by armed robbers last evening whilst the family were having their evening meal. Five men made their appearance on the premises, carrying revolvers and daggers, with which they forced the victims to surrender their personal articles of jewellery. Finding nothing worth stealing from the boxes in a cubicle, they compelled the contractor's wife, his nephew's wife and finally his niece to give up their bangles, the whole being valued at \$78. The robbers made good their escape.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate-General, Hongkong, from the Manila Observatory at 9.40 a.m. to-day:

Typhoon in about 126 deg. Long. E., 18 deg. Lat. N., moving W.N.W.

TOWN IN HEUNGSHAN.

Plundered by Robbers. Our Canton correspondent states that Shu Kai, a market town in the Heungshan district, has been completely plundered by a gang of 200 robbers. Seventy people were kidnapped, and booty valued at \$200,000 was taken away by the robbers.

CHINA'S PREMIER.

Issue Still Unsettled.

Shanghai, Sept. 14.—The Bill nominating Tang Shao-yi as Premier has already been sent back to the Cabinet, and the nomination of Wang Chung-huai is expected soon.—Reuter.

Cabinet Resigns.

Peking, Sept. 14.—It is understood that, in accordance with usual procedure, following the rejection of Tang Shao-yi's nomination to the Premiership by Parliament, the Cabinet formally resigned at 10 p.m. this evening.—Reuter.

New Cabinet Secretary.

Peking, Sept. 14.—Wu Pei-huang, chief of the Telegraph Department of the Ministry of Communications, has been appointed Chief Secretary of the Cabinet. He assumed the post this afternoon.—Reuter.

SALT GABELLE ACTING I.G.

Drowned in Canada.

Peking, Sept. 14.—The British Legation was informed by telegram from London to-day of the death of Mr. W. F. Strickland, acting Inspector General of the Salt Gabelle, by drowning while staying in Canada.—Reuter.

THE LIKIN QUESTION.

Confused Position Explained.

Shanghai, Sept. 14.—A misunderstanding has arisen in Shanghai regarding the message from Reuter's Peking correspondent concerning the abolition of likin, owing to confusion between the Tariff Revision Commission and the Tariff Revision Conference. Reuter's Peking correspondent telegraphs that the Tariff Revision Conference recommending the abolition of likin is a body meeting in Peking, consisting of representatives of all the Ministries and Chinese Chambers of Commerce, which the Government has asked specially to go into the question whether the abolition of likin is feasible.—Reuter.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

No Agreement Yet.

Changchun, September 13.—The Conference was resumed to-day. The Japanese reiterated that an agreement between Japan and the Far Eastern Republic on the basis of the Dairen draft agreement should first be discussed, but the Russians insisted on concluding a general trade agreement between Japan and All Russia. The delegates finally agreed to meet to-morrow to endeavour to effect a compromise.—Reuter.

THE HAWAIIAN TROUBADOURS.

Another Picturesque Performance.

Kaai's band of Royal Hawaiian Troubadours, favourably received on the opening night, attracted an excellent "house" to the Theatre Royal last night, and the patronage was richly merited. Both as a combination and as soloists the troupe contains artists of uncommon ability, and the performances were decidedly picturesque.

The party composing the party, which contains members of both sexes, rendered some delightful airs on their native instruments, a species of guitar and the ukulele being prominent, while "turns" of an American order were also executed with an abundance of zest. Both the singing—instrumental and vocal—and the dancing proved to be to the liking of the audience, which manifested enthusiasm at the novelty of the native performances and the exuberance of the "Jazz" element. Those who have not yet witnessed this unusual exhibition should take care not to miss the opportunity. Parents are reminded of the matinee fixed for to-morrow, when a special programme for the youngsters will be provided.

"KING'S" BATTALION.

The Week's Sport.

Three matches in the Company Football League have been played during the week, and the Machine Gun Platoon still retain their position at the head of the League table, their nearest opponents ("C" Company) being beaten by "D" Company on Monday afternoon.

The Gunners played "A" Company last Saturday and were somewhat fortunate to win by the odd goal in three. "A" Company put up a good fight and were awarded two penalty kicks, one of which they failed to convert. The Machine Gun Platoon owe their success to the enterprise and dash of their forward line, particularly the centre and inside left.

The match between "G" and "D" Companies on Monday afternoon proved to be one of the best seen on the ground this season. Excitement was responsible for some slips on the part of "C" Coy's defence, and "D" Coy's forward line took full advantage of these slips. "D" Coy. scored first and "C" Coy. equalised. "C" Coy. then took the lead at the interval being 2 to 1 in their favour. On resumption of play, "D" Coy. equalised and then "C" Coy. again took the lead from a penalty kick. After some exciting play "D" Coy's centre-forward equalised, with an excellent shot which gave the "C" Coy's goal-keeper no chance. "D" Coy. then scored two fine goals and ran out winners of an exciting game by 5 goals to 3.

On Thursday afternoon, the M. G. Platoon beat the Band and Drums by 4 goals to 1. The League table now reads:—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For.	Agst.	Pts.
M.G. Platoon	6	6	0	0	23	5	12
"C" Coy.	5	3	1	2	18	13	7
"A" Coy.	6	2	1	3	10	14	5
"D" Coy.	5	1	2	2	9	13	4
Band & Drums	3	0	2	1	4	7	2
"B" Coy.	4	0	4	5	17	0	0

Cricket.

In the Cricket Competition, the following matches have been played:—

M.G. Platoon beat "B" Coy. by 43 runs. Scores:—M. G. Platoon, 56; "B" Coy., 13. Band and Drums beat "D" Coy. by 129 runs. Scores:—Band and Drums, 152; "D" Coy., 23. "C" Company beat Band and Drums by 42 runs. Scores:—"C" Coy., 89; Band and Drums, 42. The League table now reads:—

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
M. G. Platoon	4	3	1	6
"C" Company	5	3	2	6
"D" Company	5	3	2	6
Band & Drums	3	2	1	4
"B" Company	4	2	4	4
"A" Company	5	0	5	0

IRENE CASTLE.

Appears on Screen To-night.

World-famous as a dancer, swimmer and Society entertainer, Irene Castle, who has returned to the screen after a lapse of two years, displays these individual talents in "The Piring Line," which comes to the Star Theatre this evening. Hongkong audiences will still recollect this charming star in "Stranded in Arcady," which was shown at the Old Victoria Theatre two years ago. She has brought fresh verve into her acting and in the various episodes in the picture, which have Palm Beach and the palatial houses of New York for their background, there is got together a most attractive story of Society life in America, or rather that inner section of it which is typified by endless rounds of excursions to Palm Beach, yacht cruises, and sallies into the night life of the great city.

THE CHANNEL TUNNEL.

Sir Arthur Fell, chairman of the House of Commons Channel Tunnel Committee, has handed to Mr. Chamberlain a requisition signed by 217 M.P.s, representing every section of the House, asking that in the autumn session this year the Government will, at the earliest opportunity, give a day for the discussion of the question of the construction of the Channel tunnel.

WHAT EVERY WOMAN DOESN'T KNOW. You wives ought to get more information from your husbands as to what they are earning, said Judge Penitt at Oldenwell County Court. You will be very clever if you get it—(laughter)—but you ought to try.

GUILD ACTIVITY.

Alleged Intimidation.

Local Guild activities ran counter to the law the other day, resulting in the arrest of three men on a charge of intimidation. A second count against the men was of being in possession of forty-five rounds of ammunition.

It was stated by the third engineer of the Kongning, who is the complainant in the case, that ten men boarded the vessel the other day and endeavoured by threats to induce him to join their Guild notwithstanding the fact that he was already a member of one, the Seamen's Union. The complainant of the Kongning, who interceded in an endeavour to pour oil on the troubled waters, had an interview with the visitors, who, it appears, were not satisfied until a sum of \$15 has been paid over by the engineer.

When the ship returned here on the 13th instant, a letter was taken aboard by a boy who later turned out to be the son of one of the alleged intimidators. The nature of the communication was not disclosed in Court, but it was stated that the skipper of the vessel came to learn of the matter and interviewed the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, with the result that, through the boy, the police were made acquainted with the headquarters of the gang. Inspector Appleton effected the arrest of the three defendants at No. 350, Queen's Road West, and later discovered the ammunition in a piece of paper hidden in a cupboard and other secret hiding places.

The boy, Yung Kwok, aged 14, was called, and under examination by the Court, said he could not say that the letter produced was the same one he delivered aboard the Kongning. The instructions he received from his father were to deliver the letter to the third engineer in the engine room. As to its nature, he had not the slightest idea.

Inspector Appleton asked what relation he bore to the first defendant, and the boy replied: "He is the husband of my mother."

The Magistrate: "Is he not your own father?"

"He is my stepfather," was the reply.

The case was put over until next Thursday.

MURDERED OFFICER.

Funeral Last Evening.

There were many signs of sorrow at the funeral of the late Mr. Thomas Spafford, the murdered chief officer of the s.s. Fatsan, which took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, last evening. The Rev. C. Clouston Porri (Wesleyan minister) officiated. There was a brief service in the chapel, after which the coffin was borne to the old residents' section, where it was lowered into the grave by brother Freemasons and Captain Ritchie, of the Fatsan.

The principal mourners were the widow, Mr. and Mrs. J. de Gonzales, son-in-law and daughter, Captain F. P. Hall, Captain Bayless, Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Cotton, Messrs. F. A. Dinsdale and L. D. H. Crawford (Messrs. Butterfield & Swire), the officers of the Fatsan, officials of the China Coast Officers' Guild, Mr. A. Lopes (Ben Line Ltd.), Mr. A. Pereira (Eastern Telegraph Company).

Wreaths were sent from the widow, Mr. and Mrs. J. de Gonzales (son-in-law and daughter), the District Grand Lodge of Scottish Free-Masonry in Hongkong and South China, the R.W.M. and officers of Lodge Naval and Military, 848, S.C. Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, the Shipping Department of the China Navigation Co., Ltd., the Superintendents of the China Navigation Company, the Officers and Engineers of the s.s. Fatsan, Capt. and Mrs. Ritchie, the Captain and Officers of the s.s. Heungshan, the Captain and Officers of the s.s. Kinsan, the Officers and Engineers of the s.s. Kingyuan, the Wharfinger of Canton Wharf, the China Coast Officers' Guild, the Naval passengers travelling on the s.s. Fatsan on the night of September 13th, the European Revenue Officers and the Saloon boys of the s.s. Fatsan.

ALLEGED OPIUM SMUGGLING.

Steamer Owners Charged.

The owners of the steamer Koochow, trading between Hongkong and Wuchow, were summoned at the Police Court this morning, at the instance of the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, for allowing the vessel to be used for the conveyance and smuggling of opium into the Colony. Reference was made by Mr. M. K. Lo, appearing for the defence, to the usual policy followed in such prosecutions, of ascertaining the exact grounds on which the allegation of neglecting to take proper precautions was based. Unless he was given the precise circumstances which in the view of the prosecution constituted evidence of negligence to observe proper precautions, it would be a waste of time by the Court, as, in the first place, he would not be enabled to prepare the defence that would be a reply to that allegation. If the skipper of the vessel were put into the witness box, he would, of course, state that all the precautions necessary to the proper observance of the law had been taken on his part, and, on the other hand, the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports Department, who prosecuted in the case, would assert the contrary.

Mr. R. E. Lindell accordingly called upon G.P.O. Watt to relate the circumstances of the case, and the officer said that he received certain information which led him to search the engine room of the Koochow. In an air-pump, after the cap had been removed (the nuts of which were easily unscrewed without the aid of a spanner) he found eighty-four tins of opium that constituted the subject matter of the charge.

Mr. Lo asked his Worship to take a note of this reference to the discovery of the drug in the air-pump, as it would be in reply to this only that his defence would be produced at the resumed hearing of the case.

His Worship adjourned the hearing until Tuesday next.

INTERPORT LAWN BOWLS.

Hongkong's Victory Over Hankow.

The first of the three interport matches was played on the 6th inst. on the green of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club when Hongkong met Hankow. Hongkong proved far too strong for Hankow and won easily by 19 shots, although the play was not so one-sided as the score suggests. There were several very fine heads which were fiercely contested.

Hankow won the toss and scored a single at the 1st. Hongkong replying with a brace and a one. By good combination play Hongkong scored six at the 4th, which apparently demoralized their opponents. They added another two at the 5th and led 11/1. The 6th end produced a couple for Hankow. Hongkong then secured a couple of singles, making the score 13/3 in favour of Hongkong at the 8th. Hankow got a three by good play, but allowed the Colony to score two at the 10th. Hankow replying with two singles making the score at the 12th 15/8. At the 13th Hongkong netted a four, while thereafter Hankow scored a two and three respectively, the 14th end being particularly noted for some splendid bowling by Gray, the Hankow skip, who drew two perfect woods when his opponents were lying two within six inches of the jack. The 15th saw the measuring tape brought out for the first time in the match.

Hongkong scored five at the 16th, mainly through the splendid bowling of Gerard and Wallace. After this Hongkong had it all their own way, scoring eight at the next five ends to Hankow's nil. Hongkong—J. Ferguson (skip), R. Wallace, J. Russell and W. Gerard.

Hankow—H. Gray (skip), E. Owen, W. J. Crooks and J. Rowland.

UNMARRIED PARENTS CHILDREN.

The text has been published of the Bill introduced in the House of Commons by the Home Secretary to provide for the legitimisation of illegitimate persons by the subsequent marriage of their parents.

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To-day's Harold Lloyd Comedy.

Things have altered, and considerably for the better, since the days when the biggest half of a cinema comedy resolved itself into a ludicrous sort of obstacle race in which the comedian, scattering everybody and everything in his mad flight, was pursued through a thousand feet or so of film by an infuriated mob made up of all the rest of the people in the picture. Nowadays a comedian has to go to work differently to win laughter from his audience. He has to content himself with just such a situation as any ordinary person might find himself in and his success is measured by the amount of ingenuity and droll cleverness he is able to display in getting out of it.

Of this new cult of comedian there are few more notable representatives than Harold Lloyd, the man with the horn-rimmed spectacles, who is already a firm favourite with Hongkong picture goers. In his latest picture "A Sailor-Made Man," which comes to the Coronet to-day, he appears as an idle young plutocrat who, under the lash of his prospective father-in-law's contempt, goes along and join Uncle Sam's Navy. Afterwards, when he gets an invitation to join a world yachting cruise with his fiancée, he goes back to the recruiting office and announces that he has changed his mind. The authorities, however, decide that he has joined up three years and so our begoggled friend has to go through with it. His experiences on the rolling main and especially his adventure in an Oriental potentate's harem give him ample opportunity for the display of those whimsical absurdities with which Harold Lloyd has made his name and fame.

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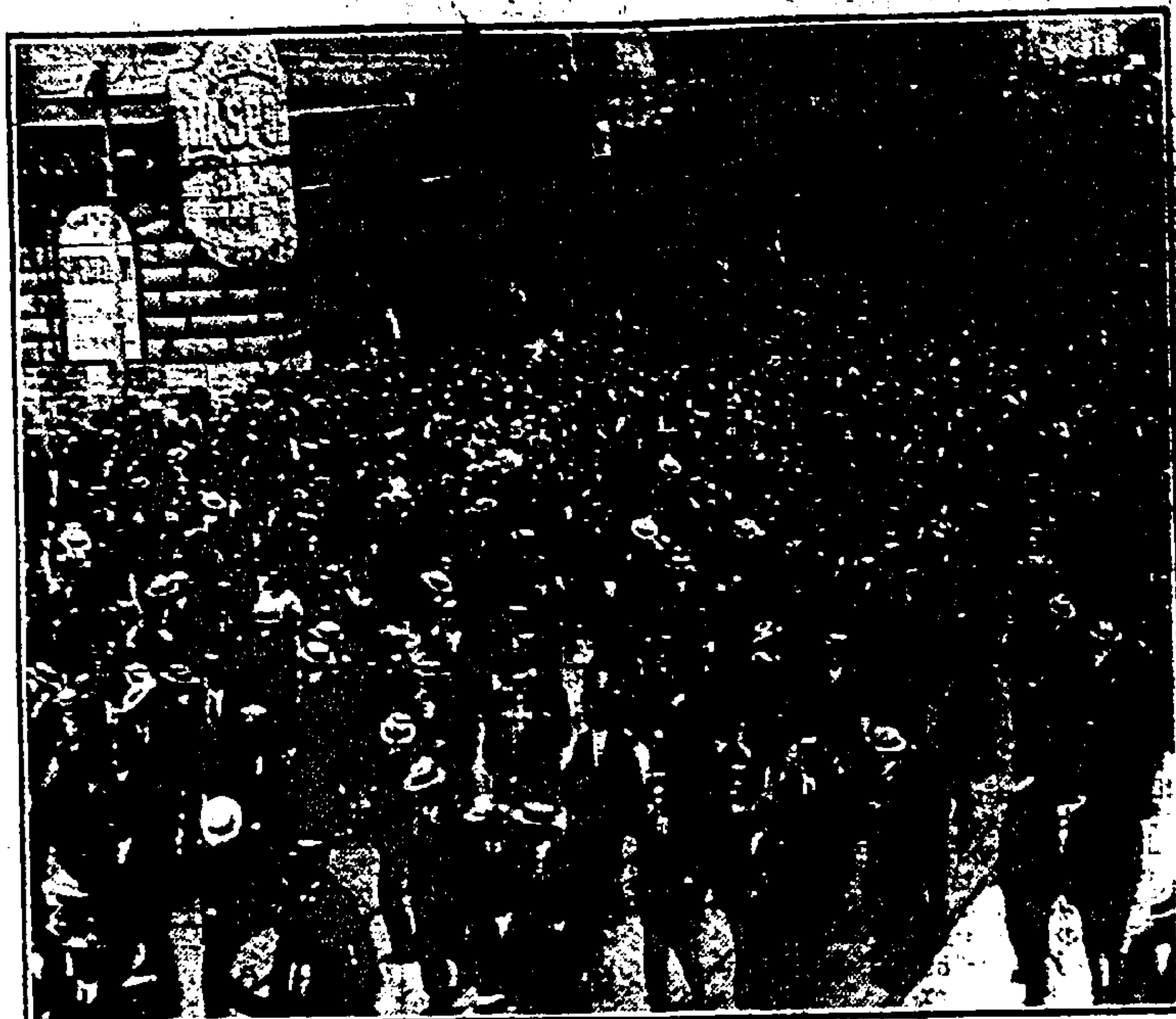
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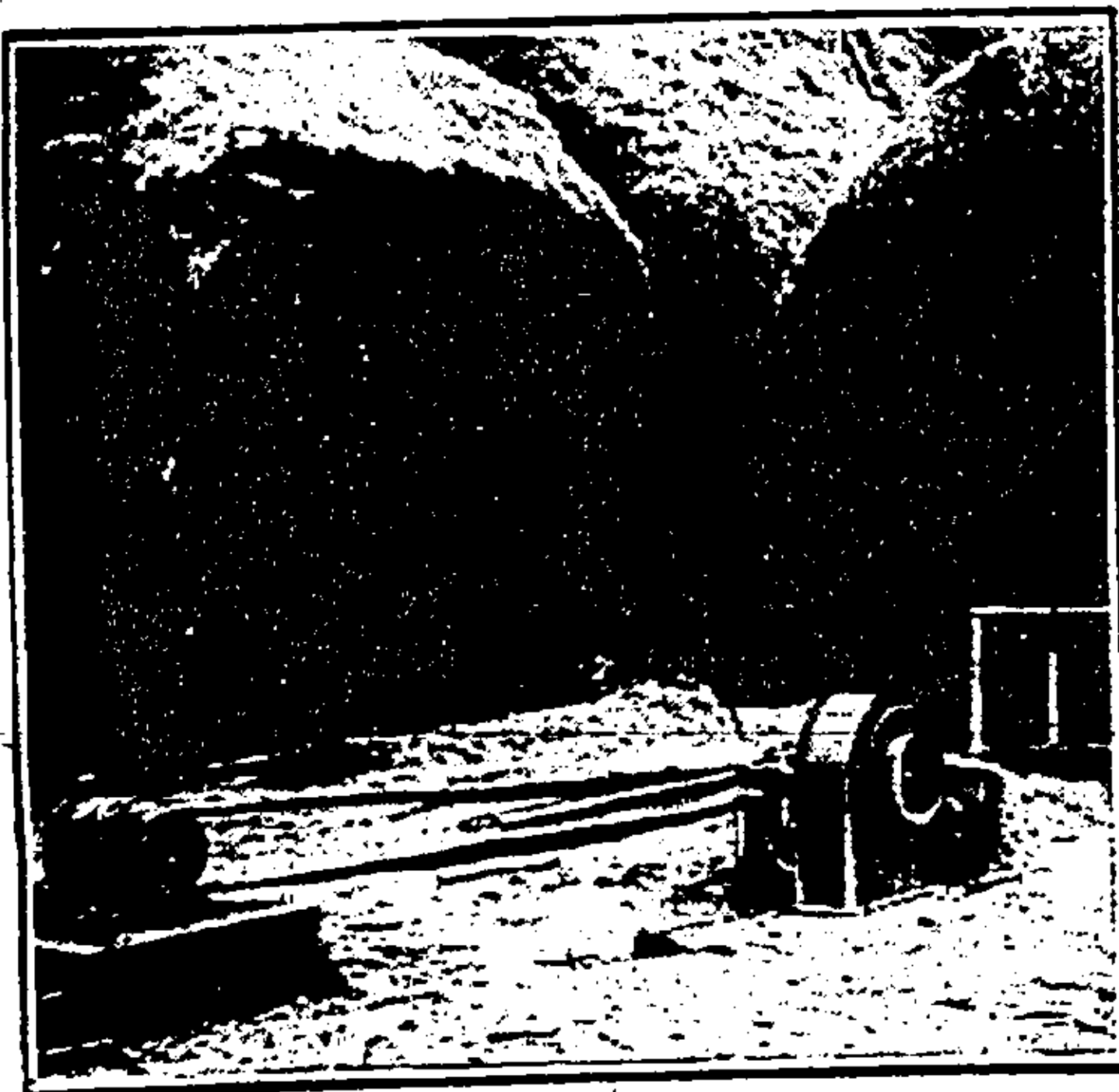
Georgie Oswald Edwards, aged ten years, walked from London to Brighton, covering the 35 miles in 11-1 2 hours of steady going. Here he is at the finish.



Warring factions in Italy have created a condition closely akin to that in Ireland. Here the Fascisti, extreme nationalists, are seen gathering to wrest city leadership from the communists and other extremists.



King Alfonso of Spain (with coat off) visiting peasants in Los Hurdas, the most desolate region of Spain.



A Sussex farmer drives air through a haystack by means of portable electric fans, as shown above.



Leaders of the Indian revolutionary movement use sign boards on camels to spread their propaganda, thus evading newspaper censorship and avoiding arrest for sedition. This scene was photographed in Delhi.



These little youngsters are the grandsons of Japan's new Premier, Baron Kato, and they are playing in his garden in Tokyo.

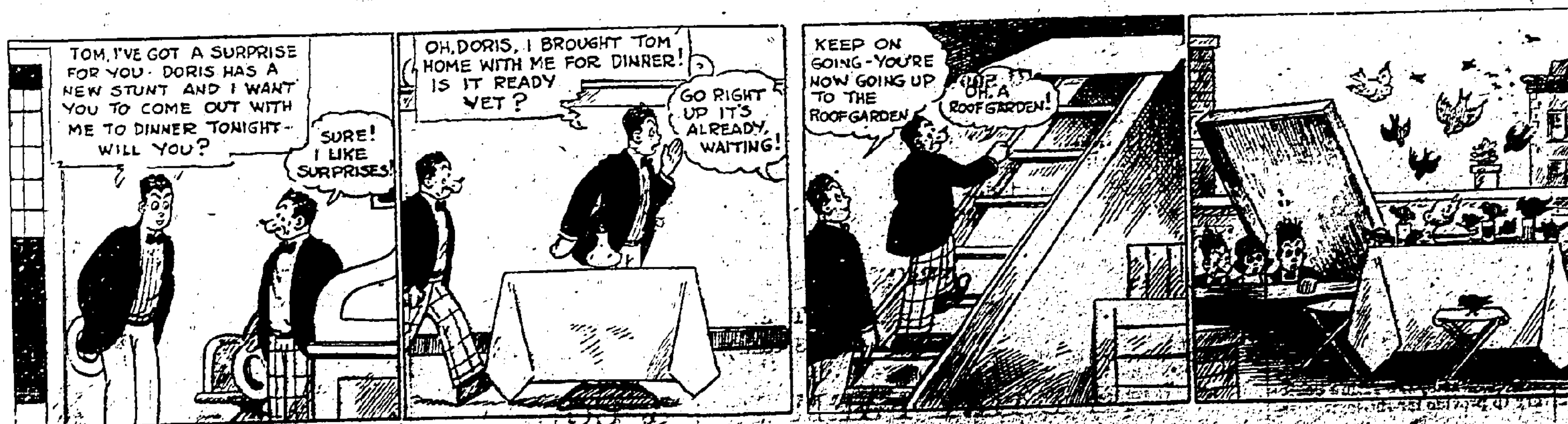


Scene during the celebration of Mass in front of the great palace at Dormans, France, on the anniversary of the Marne battle. Marshal Foch was in charge of these memorial services and he may be seen kneeling, the second on the left.

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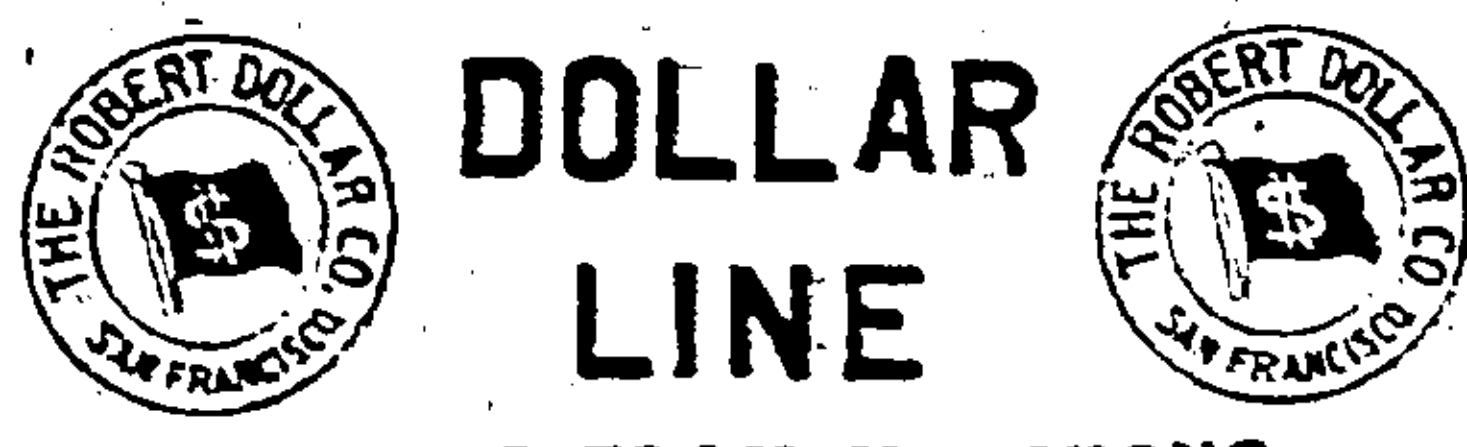
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BANGKOK via Swatow	Chaksang	Tues. 19th Sept. at noon.
TTAO via S'hai & S'hai	Hopsang	Thurs. 21st Sept. at noon.
TIENSIN	Chipsing	Fri. 22nd Sept. at 4 p.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Fookshing	Mon. 25th Sept. at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Drufar	Tues. 26th Sept. at noon.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Mingsang	Wed. 27th Sept. at 8 a.m.
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SWATOW & SINGAPORE	Kwangtung	17th Sept. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Suiyang	17th Sept. at 4 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Kalgan	19th Sept. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Yingchow	19th Sept. at 4 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	Luchow	21st Sept. at 9 a.m.
H'HOW, PHOI, H'PHONG	Kailong	22nd Sept. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Sunning	23rd Sept. at 4 p.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	Kingyuan	24th Sept. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Liangchow	26th Sept. at 4 p.m.
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SHIPPING NEWS.

GERMAN SHIPPING DIVIDENDS IN 1921.

A very illuminating table on the condition of German shipping companies in 1921 has been published by the Hamburg shipping daily, *Seefahrtszeitung*. Most of the dividends declared are large ones, though the biggest and oldest German company, the Hamburg-America Line, only gave a modest ten per cent. The record dividends were 125 per cent., paid by the Danziger Reederei, 60 per cent. by the Lubecker Ostsee-Schiffahrts-Ges.; 50 per cent. by the Flensburger S. Ver.; 40 per cent. by the Neptun S.S. Co.; 40 per cent. by the Flensburger Dampf. Co.; 30 per cent. by the Schlepsschiffahrts, Unterwasser; 30 per cent. by the Argo Co.; 28 per cent. by the Hamburg Sudamerikanische S.S. Co.; 25 per cent. by the Flensburger Dampf. (1889); 25 per cent. by the Bugiser-Reederei Bergun.s A.G.; and 25 per cent. by the Ocean S.S. Co. Amongst the dividends by the larger and better-known companies were: 20 per cent. by the Norddeutscher Lloyd; 15 per cent. by the Haseatische D.G.; 10 per cent. by the Cosmos Line; 20 per cent. by the Renata D. G.; 12 per cent. by the Deutsche Ostafrika Line; 14 per cent. by the Deutsche Australische D.G.; 15 per cent. by the Roland Line; 8 per cent. by the Woermann Line; and 6 per cent. by A. G. Hugo Stinnes, which was established in 1918. The Deutsche Orient Line, established in 1921, paid 20 per cent. for its first year's working. Out of 40 German companies only four paid no dividends, and these were post-war concerns.

A VETERAN C.P. LINER.

Dime Rumor, the busy old body, is again whispering of the Empress of Japan, the veteran Canadian Pacific liner that has not been withdrawn from Pacific service and is now tied up at Vancouver, says the *Daily Colonist*. Had the Japan been disposed of in fact as many times as she has been in supposition, she would have had by now a score of one time owners while there would be few corners of the world which would not have been familiar to her. Now from Seattle comes the tale that the Japan, and the Montezuma as well, are to operate to San Francisco in the coastwise passenger trade from Vancouver and Victoria. The Canadian Pacific, so the story goes, sees a big thing in the rush of winter travel from Western Canada to California, and is putting these ships on the run to encourage and take advantage of the traffic. Being British ships, and therefore unable to ply between American ports with passengers, they would operate from Vancouver and Victoria only, without calling at Seattle.

INSURANCE OF "FABRICATED" VESSELS.

That underwriters do not view favourably Greek or Spanish ownership of vessels is, of course, notorious, says *Syren*, and that this attitude has been fully justified as recent decisions bear eloquent testimony. In this connection a somewhat Glibertian situation was recently created during the hearing of a case in which underwriters sought to prove that an American built "fabricated" vessel had been deliberately cast away. Past experience with this type of vessel has been distressing, and it would be out of reason to suggest that insurers are enmeshed of mass-production applied to the construction of ships, but in the case in question, evidence needed to be called for the defending companies to show that the vessel was not likely to have become a total loss from deficient materials or workmanship.

DEUTSCHE WERKE A.G. RESULTS.

An extract from the company's report affords the following information concerning the year's work:—Satisfactory results have been achieved in both the shipbuilding and motorbuilding sections. Among a number of smaller vessels three 9,800-ton steamers have been successfully launched. The first big Diesel motor, an engine of 1,000 h.p., had been completed, and a second similar one was commissioned for installation in an 8,000-ton tanker. Gross turnover, 234.54 (171.43 million) marks. General expenses, 112.7 (58.26 million) marks. The net profits of 121.8 (113.17 million) marks will, as in the previous year, be devoted to reserves, and writing off, so that a dividend will not be declared.

THE BOOKSHELF

(By "Librarian.")

THE WAY TO A HAPPY INDIA.

In the Far East, as is natural, we are apt to be preoccupied with Chinese questions. We should not forget, though, that in another part of Asia is a country second only to China in number of inhabitants—a country which contains an enormous proportion of the total population of the British Empire. "Happy India," by Mr. Arnold Lupton, formerly M.P. for a Lincolnshire constituency, comes as a reminder of this. Considering the events of the past eighteen months or so, the title has an incongruous sound until we perceive that it represents a prospect, not a fact. A direct clue to the spirit inspiring the treatise (which is published by George Allen and Unwin, price 6s.) is contained in the sub-title, "As it Might Be if Guided by Modern Science." In other days it devolved upon me to chronicle the meetings of an industrial association at home which the author of this volume frequently addressed in the capacity of technical expert. Mr. Lupton has had both "shop" and academic experience. For a number of years he was a colliery manager, after which he became Professor of Mining at Leeds University. Then Parliamentary ambition seized him, and as a successful Liberal candidate he was one of those who contributed to the Unionist landslide in the General Election of 1905. An active investigator, he has more recently made India the subject of his researches, visiting the country "from north to south and east to west," as he tells us.

In the earlier chapters there is a survey of the general conditions as a preliminary to the consideration of remedies, and Mr. Lupton seeks to do even-handed justice as between Englishmen and Hindoo. Then, coming to the remedies, the author finds the most important to be the need of making the soil more fruitful. This does not mean a back-to-the-land campaign. The workers are there; they are put at 72 per cent. of the entire population, and 40 per cent. of the labouring population are engaged in agriculture. Mr. Lupton finds the trouble to be in the matter of fertilisers. Animal manure is frequently dried for fuel, because of the dearth of coal and wood. Under this heading the author advocates afforestation schemes and development of mining, but he lays the stress upon fertilisers, including phosphates, nitrates, and the other approved mineral forms. Mr. Lupton believes that these methods would work wonders. That there is strong ground for his argument may be judged from the fact that many areas in India are yielding only 100 lb. of wheat per acre against an English average of nearly a ton.

Another source of inadequate utilisation of natural wealth is India's water-power. This potential form of riches has, indeed, only been "scratched," but such an important industrial undertaking as the great Tata establishment has given a lead in the adoption of a huge hydro-electric plant. Often it has been found that elements which at first sight promise enormous returns are subject to some obstacle that nullifies their value. Technical considerations rendering impracticable or too costly the application of these natural forces. Here we have an experienced engineer advancing the scheme as quite feasible.

Mr. Lupton estimates that by these means India's annual income could be raised to £1,500,000,000. The figure, big as it looks, is modest enough when zealous by the European scale, considering India's extent and population; but by the Asiatic standard it would mean a remarkable advance. A spectator might say that it is too remarkable; yet, looking at India's resources, one feels that it ought to be possible, and even easily possible. This degree of wealth, as Mr. Lupton calculates, would mean that no man, woman, or child of India's three hundred and more million need go short.

In regard to the growth of timber, the Government of India has at times taken stock of the situation. With respect to coal, of which the country's supplies are admittedly great, development lags, probably due to a combination of causes. In relation to fertilisers, which are the chief plank in Mr. Lupton's programme, the cultivator says he cannot afford them. This is probably true in the sense in which the cultivator speaks, but

unless Mr. Lupton's judgment is altogether at fault, it is still true that he cannot afford to do without them. The author calculates that £100,000 would be needed on a score, and he thinks that the Government of India ought to provide it, looking to an enormously increased yield from the land. That Government finds itself sorely pressed financially, and mainly owing to this very question of land revenue. It is felt that the cultivators cannot stand an appreciable increase of taxation. Here Mr. Lupton points the way, and while the sum mentioned is large in the present state of Indian finances, the outlay would be justified abundantly by the returns which should interest investors in other parts of the Empire as well. The author can obtain anything like a favourable consensus of expert opinion. It may be added that the data upon which the calculations are made are tabulated in detail.

While the unrest that has lately agitated India may be primarily political, the economic factors are of no less importance. At any time this work would merit careful consideration, and at the present juncture its theme has acquired a special importance.

Readers of Marco Polo's Travels have probably been struck by the reference to China's mountainous and postal highways (long since decayed) in the days of the Great Khan. These institutions are recalled by the Annual Report of the Chinese Post Office for 1921, which is prefaced by a most interesting historical outline. Another feature to attract notice is found at the other extremity of the publication, where reproductions of stamps issued by the Chinese P.O. since its institution, including emergency and commemorative issues.

China, we are told, preceded the Assyrians, the Persians, and the Egyptians in the establishment of a postal service. At first this service, called *li chuan*, was for official purposes, but it is claimed that a public system was started in the time of a Ming emperor, dating back over five centuries. The service consisted of a guild of letter "honzes" which undertook the transmission of letters, parcels, and remittances. This is recorded, they did so efficiently and so economically, showing far greater enterprise than is often associated with the "Middle Kingdom," that they gained widespread popularity. For all this there was need of a national service, which was first mooted by Sir Robert Hart in 1861 and eventually instituted as part of the Maritime Customs Administration, in 1895, from which it was separated in 1911 on China's admission to the Postal Union. Some amusing episodes are related of *min chu* competition when the national service was started. Eventually the former were expropriated.

The statistics for 1921 tell a tale of increasing progress. There are now 637,000 li (over 200,000 miles) of road postal routes, major and minor, plus steamer, boat, and railway lines, bringing the total to 738,000 li. In the course of the year "mail matter" to the extent of 442,000,000 (letters, postcards, newspapers, &c.) was handled. In most departments business has increased by 100 per cent. in half a dozen years. Of course, there are a few "foreign" Co-Directors and Commissioners, but the participation of the Chinese themselves is attested by a staff of over 31,000. The results attained by the Chinese Post Office, in contrast to those of purely native-managed undertakings, surely demonstrate the wisdom of the Powers in stipulating for, and of China in assenting to, the continuation of Western co-operation after the impending dissolution of the foreign post offices in China as decided at the Washington Conference.

METEOROLOGICAL

Previous Day	on date	on date
at 2 p.m. 6 a.m. 7 p.m.		
Barometer.....	29.70	29.67
Temperature.....	83	78
Humidity.....	65	90
Wind Direction SW	ESE	W
Wind Force.....	1	1
Weather.....	o	b
Rain.....	0.22	0.00
Highest open air		
Temperature on the	14th	89
Lowest open air		
Temperature on the	15th	75
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.		
H.K. Observatory, Sept. 15.		

EXCHANGE.

(Opening Rate: closing Rate on Page 11.)
SELLING.

T/T Demand	255 1/2
30 d/s	261 1/2
4 m/s	267 1/2
T/T Shanghai	Nom.
T/T Singapore	110
T/T Japan	117 1/2
T/T India	198 1/2
Demand, India	—
T/T San Francisco & New York	58 1/2
T/T Java	148
T/T Manila	Nom.
T/T Peking	7 1/2
Demand, Peking	—

BUYING

4 m/s. L/C	275 1/2
4 m/s. D/P	273 1/2
3 m/s. L/C	271 1/2
10 d/s. Sydney and Melbourne	2/8
10 d/s. San Francisco & New York	55 1/2
4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. France	780
5 m/s. France	790
Demand, Germany	—
Demand, New York	56 1/2
T/T Bombay	196 1/2
T/T Calcutta	193 1/2
Demand, Calcutta	117 1/2
On Yokohama	114 1/2
Demand, Manila	110
Demand, Singapore	148
Demand, Batavia	148
On Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	31 1/2
On Bangkok	7 1/2
Sovereign	35 1/2
Gold leaf per Tael	35 1/2
Say Silver, ready	35 1/2
forward	35 1/2
Bank of England rates 3 1/2	
New York/London	4 1/2

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Hongkong, Sept. 15, 1922.	

WEATHER REPORT

Sept. 15, 11h. 37m. Warning to Hongkong, Coast Ports, &c. from the unknown intensity of the S.W. wind, N.W. 100 m.p.h. moving N.W.

Sept. 15, 11h. 37m. Pressure is highest over S.E. Mongolia and Manchuria. It has increased considerably at Weihaiwei and has decreased slightly to moderately at southern stations.

A typhoon formed yesterday about 400 miles to the east of Aparri. At 6 a.m. this morning it was in about lat. 20 N. and long. 125 E., moving W.N.W. or N.W. at 10 m.p.h.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 1.01 inch. Total since January 1st, 60.25 inches, against an average of 71.03 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District Forecast. N.E. winds, freshening considerably.

1 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamock. N. winds, moderate to fair to showery.

2 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan. N. winds, moderate to fair to showery.

1. F. CLAXTON, Director. H.K. Observatory, Sept. 15, 1922.

TIME SIGNALS.

The time ball on Kowloon Signal Hill is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., except on Saturdays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. only.

The ball is hoisted half mast at the 57th minute. Should the ball fail to drop at the correct time, it will be lowered at five minutes past the hour and the ordinary routine repeated at following hour, if possible.

Should the time ball be out of order the above routine will be carried out with flag "Z," on the storm signal mast. The signal are also given at night by means of three white lamps mounted vertically on the Observatory wireless mast. From 8 1/2, 56m. 0s. to 9h. 0m. 0s. p.m. the lamps are extinguished momentarily at the even seconds except at the 2nd, 28th, 50th, 52nd, and 54th of each minute.

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Place of Observation	Highest W. L. ever recorded	Lowest W. L. ever recorded	W. L. Sept. 12	W. L. Sept. 13
Wuchow, West River	+19.50	-2.42	35.40	—
Kongmoon, "	+14.70	-0.80	8.30	—
Linkow, North "	+37.00	0	12.00	11.50
Samshui, "	+27.25	-5.00	14.00	12.90
Sheklung, East "	+15.15	-0.95	8.20	8.10

TIDE TABLE.

15th to 21st. Sept. 1922

Day	High Water Mean Time	Low Water Mean Time
Fri. 15	5 20	6 3
Sat. 16	5 4	6 4
Sun. 17	5 15	6 8
Mon. 18	5 18	6 4
Tues. 19	5 14	6 1
Wed. 20	5 12	6 1
Thurs. 21	5 20	6 3

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7.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.	15 min.
9.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	15 min.
11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.	15 min.
1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	15 min.
3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	15 min.
NIGHT CARS.	Every 15 min.
5.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.	15 min.
9.30 p.m. to 11.30 p.m.	15 min.
11.30 p.m. to 1.30 a.m.	15 min.
SATURDAYS.	Every 15 min.
7.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	15 min.
9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.	15 min.
11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.	15 min.
1.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.	15 min.
3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.	15 min.
SUNDAYS.	Every 15 min.
7.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	15 min.
9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.	15 min.
11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.	15 min.
1.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.	15 min.
3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.	15 min.
NIGHT CARS.	Every 15 min.
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